

Schedule of International Meetings and Events 2006-2008

November 1, 2006

Dates	Location	Activity*
2006		
OCT 23- NOV 3	Hobart, Australia	CCAMLR 25 th Annual Meeting and the 25 th Scientific Committee Meeting
OCT 30 – NOV 3	Boston, MA	ICES Symposium on Fishing Technology in the 21 st Century
OCT 30 – NOV 4	Noumea, New Caledonia	ICRI Coral Reef Ecosystems Biodiversity Forum
NOV 1-2	Moscow, Russia	FAO 1 st International Scientific and Practical Conference on "Increasing the Efficiency in Exploitation of Aquatic Living Resources" (Conference is held within the framework of International Fisheries "RYBPROMEXPO 2006")
NOV 6-7	Rome, Italy	GFCM Committee on Aquaculture - First Coordinating Meeting of the Working Groups (CMWG) of the GFCM
NOV 6-10	Victoria, Seychelles	9 th Session of the IOTC Scientific Committee
NOV 6-10	Hobart, Australia	2 nd International Meeting on the Establishment of the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organization
NOV 6-11	Belize City, Belize	GCFI 59 th Annual Conference
NOV 8-9	Miami, FL	ICRI 2 nd Annual Coral Reef Conservation and Management Conference
NOV 13-17	Christchurch, New Zealand	2 nd Meeting of the Parties to ACAP
NOV 14-16	Sarasota, FL	The 6 th William R. and Lenore Mote International Symposium in Fisheries Ecology (sponsored by Florida State University and Mote Marine Laboratory)
NOV 14-17	Honolulu, HI	The role of squid in pelagic marine ecosystems [a joint workshop sponsored by GLOBEC-CLIOTOP Working Group 3 and the Pelagic Fisheries Research Program (PFRP)]
NOV 15-16	Hanoi, Vietnam	18th APEC Joint Ministerial Meeting
NOV 17-26	Dubrovnik, Croatia	15th Special Meeting of ICCAT

NOV 27- DEC 1	Lima, Peru	FAO International Conference on the Humboldt Current System: Climate, ocean dynamics, ecosystem processes and fisheries.
NOV 28	Montego Bay, Jamaica	4 th Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Protocol Concerning SPAW in the Wider Caribbean Region
NOV 29- DEC 2	Montego Bay, Jamaica	12 th Intergovernment Meeting on the Action Plan for the Caribbean Environment Programme and the 9 th Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection and Development of the Marine Environment of the Wider Caribbean Region
NOV 30- DEC 1	Seattle, WA	IPHC Interim Meeting
DEC 11-15	Apia, Samoa	3 rd WCPFC Annual Meeting
DEC 12-14	Haikou City, Hainan Province, China	East Asian Seas Congress 2006
2007		
JAN 8-12	Vancouver, BC, Canada	PSC Post-Season Meeting
JAN 9-13	Rome, Italy	GFCM 31 st Session
JAN 16-19	Victoria, BC, Canada	IPHC 83 rd Annual Meeting
JAN 17-18	Washington, D.C.	IWC Like-Minded Country Meeting
JAN 22-26	Kobe, Japan	Joint Tuna RFMO Conference
JAN 22-26	Washington, D.C.	FAO Experts Consultation on Code of Conduct Art. 11
JAN 30-31	Jakarta, Indonesia	WCPFC Eastern Indonesia Tuna Fishery Data Collection Workshop
JAN 31- FEB 1	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	MCS Network Meeting
FEB 5-6	La Jolla, CA	IATTC Meeting to Consider Management Options for Bigeye and Yellowfin Tuna
FEB 7-8	La Jolla, CA	8 th Meeting of the IATTC Working Group on Finance
FEB 9-10	La Jolla, CA	6 th Meeting of the IATTC Bycatch Working Group
FEB 12-16	Portland, OR	PSC 22 nd Annual Meeting
FEB 26- MAR 2	Rome, Italy	22 nd Session of the FAO Coordinating Working Party on Fishery Statistics
MAR 5-9	Rome, Italy	FAO COFI 27 th Session

MAR 12-13	Rome, Italy	FAO Meeting of the Regional Fishery Bodies Secretariat's Network
MAR 14-16	Port Vila, Vanuatu	U.S.-SPTT Formal Consultations
MAR (TBD)	TBD	IOSEA – 5 th Meeting of the Signatory States
APR 16-17	Paris, France	OECD COFI Workshop on GLocalization
APR 18-20	Paris, France	OECD COFI 99 th Session
APR 18-20 (T)	Honolulu, HI	NPAFC Research Planning and Coordinating Meeting
APR 22-24	Ikebukuro, Japan	ICRI General Meeting
APR 23-27	Gold Coast, Australia	18 th Meeting of the APEC Fisheries Working Group Meeting and 20 th meeting of the APEC Marine Resources Conservation Working Group
APR (TBD)	TBD	ICCAT Intersessional Meetings
MAY 14-18	La Jolla, CA	8 th Meeting of the IATTC Working Group on Stock Assessment
MAY 14 – JUN 1	Anchorage, AK	59 th IWC Annual Meeting
MAY 15-18	Victoria, B.C., Canada	5 th International Fisheries Observer Conference
MAY 21-24	Lake Arrowhead, CA	The 58 th International Tuna Conference
MAY 21-24	Cambridge, MA	5 th International Conference on "Marine Bioinvasions" (co-sponsored by ICES, PICES, the U.S. National Sea Grant College Program, and NOAA)
MAY 28- JUN 1	Hiroshima, Japan	4 th International Zooplankton Production Symposium on "Human and climate forcing of zooplankton populations" (co-sponsored by ICES, PICES and GLOBEC)
MAY TBD	Mexico (TBD)	CEC Annual Meeting
MAY TBD	New York, NY	UNFSA Informal Consultations of States Parties
JUN 3-15	The Hague, Netherlands	CITES 14 th COP
JUN 4-8	Bar Harbor, ME	NASCO Annual Meeting
JUN 12-14	Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam	INFOFISH International Conference on Catfish
JUN 18-29	TBD	Annual Meetings of the IATTC and AIDCP
JUN 26-29	Baltimore, MD	PICES/ICES Conference for Early Career Scientists: New Frontiers in Marine Science
JUN TBD	New York, NY	UNICPOLIS Meeting
JUL 2-8	Paris, France	CBD Annual Meeting

AUG 13-24	Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia	3 rd Regular Session of the WCPFC Scientific Committee
SEP 4-7	Beijing, PRC	12 th Annual Conference of the Parties to the Convention on the Conservation and Management of the Pollock Resources in the Central Bering Sea
SEP 5-6	Sydney, Australia	19 th APEC Ministerial Meeting
SEP 11-13	Tokyo, Japan	3 rd Regular Session of the WCPFC Northern Committee
SEP 11-13	Qingdao, China	2 nd Global Conference on Large Marine Ecosystems
SEP 27- OCT 2	Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia	3 rd Regular Session of the WCPFC Technical and Compliance Committee
SEP TBD	TBD	CEC Biodiversity Conservation Working Group Annual Meeting
OCT 1-3	Lisbon, Portugal	NAFO/PICES International Symposium on "Reproductive and recruitment processes in exploited marine fish stocks"
OCT 8-12	Vladivostok, Russia	15 th Annual Meeting of the NPAFC
OCT 16-18	Coeur d'Alene, ID	PSC Executive Meeting
OCT 16-19	Canberra, Australia	14 th Annual Meeting of the CCSBT
OCT 24-25	Salekhard, Yamalo-Nenetsk, Russia	CAFF Senior Arctic Officials Meeting
OCT 26	Salekhard, Yamalo-Nenetsk, Russia	CAFF Ministerial Meeting
OCT 26- NOV 4	Victoria, B.C., Canada	PICES 16 th Annual Meeting on "The changing North Pacific: Previous patterns, future projections, and ecosystem impacts"
OCT (TBD)	Rome, Italy	FAO Conference on Reduction of Environmental Impact of Shrimp Fisheries
NOV (TBD)	TBD	ICCAT 16 th Annual Meeting
DEC 3-7	Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia	4 th WCPFC Annual Meeting
2008		
JAN 14-18	Portland, OR	PSC Post-Season Meeting

FEB 11-15	Vancouver, B.C., Canada	PSC 23 rd Annual Meeting
MAY 19-23	Gijón, Spain	International Symposium on "Effects of climate change on the world's oceans" (co-sponsored by ICES, PICES, IOC, GLOBEC, SCOR and WCRP)
JUL 7-11	Ft. Lauderdale, FL	11 th International Coral Reef Symposium
OCT 16-26	Dalian, China	PICES Seventeenth Annual Meeting
OCT 20-24	Yokohama, Japan	5 th World Fisheries Congress
OCT 21-23	TBD	PSC Executive Session

* The Office of International Affairs, National Marine Fisheries Service, has compiled this schedule to inform the public of living marine resource-related international meetings or events that are of interest to the United States Government. The schedule does not constitute a travel schedule for the National Marine Fisheries Service.

List of Acronyms

ACAP	Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels
ACFM	Advisory Committee on Fisheries Management (ICES)
ACFR	Advisory Committee on Fisheries Research (ICES)
AEWC	Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission
AFS	American Fisheries Society
AIDCP	Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program
AIFRB	American Institute of Fishery Research Biologists
AMAP	Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Program (Arctic Council)
APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
APFIC	Asia-Pacific Fishery Commission
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
ATCM	Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting
BASIS	Bering-Aleutian Salmon International Survey Plan
BFT	Bluefin Tuna
CAFF	Program for the Conservation of Arctic Flora and Fauna (Arctic Council)
CBD	Convention on Biological Diversity
CCAMLR	Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources
CCSBT	Commission for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna
CEC	North American Commission for Environmental Cooperation
CECAF	Fishery Committee for the Eastern Central Atlantic
CEP	Committee on Environmental Protection (CCAMLR)
CITES	Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna
CMS	Convention on Migratory Species
COFI	Committee on Fisheries (FAO) and (OECD)

COMAAR	Coordinated Observation of the Arctic for Assessment and Research
COML	Census of Marine Life
COP	Conference of the Parties
CRTF	Coral Reef Task Force
CSD	Commission on Sustainable Development
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (Australia)
CTE	Committee on Trade and Environment
ECOSOC	Economic and Social Council (UN)
EMM	Ecosystem Monitoring and Management (CCAMLR)
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
FFC	Forum Fisheries Committee (Forum Fisheries Agency)
FSA	Fish Stock Assessment (CCAMLR)
GAC	General Advisory Committee (IATTC)
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GCFI	Gulf and Caribbean Fisheries Institute
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GeoHAB	Marine Geological and Biological Habitat Mapping
GFCM	General Fisheries Commission for the Mediterranean
GLOBEC	Global Ecosystem Dynamics
IAC	Inter-American Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles
IATTC	Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission
IBSFC	International Baltic Sea Fisheries Commission
ICC	Intergovernmental Consultative Committee (US-Russia)
ICCAT	International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas
ICES	International Council for the Exploration of the Sea
ICRI	International Coral Reef Initiative
IIFET	International Institute of Fisheries Economics and Trade
IMO	International Maritime Organization
IOC	Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
IOSEA	Indian Ocean South East Asian (MOU for sea turtles)
IOTC	Indian Ocean Tuna Commission
IPHC	International Pacific Halibut Commission
IRP	International Review Panel (AIDCP)
ISC	North Pacific Interim Scientific Committee for Tuna and Tuna-like Species
IUCN	World Conservation Union
IUU	Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing
IWC	International Whaling Commission
KORDI	Korean Ocean Research and Development Institute
LOS	Law of the Sea (Convention)
MCS	Monitoring, Control, and Surveillance
MOP	Meeting of the Parties
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NAAEC	North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation
NAFO	Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement

NASCO	North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
NPAFC	North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
PAME	Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment (Arctic Council)
PICES	North Pacific Marine Science Organization
PREPCOM	Preparatory Committee
PSC	Pacific Salmon Commission
PWG	Permanent Working Group (ICCAT)
SBSTTA	Subsidiary Body for Scientific, Technical, and Technological Advice (Convention on Biological Diversity)
SCAR	Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research
SCOR	Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research (IOC)
SCPA	Standing Committee on the Precautionary Approach (NASCO)
SCRS	Standing Committee on Research and Statistics (ICCAT)
SEAFDEC	Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center
SPAW	Protocol Concerning Specially Protected Areas and Wildlife in the Wider Caribbean (Cartegena Convention)
SPC	Secretariat of the Pacific Community
SPTT	South Pacific Tuna Treaty
STACTIC	Standing Committee on International Control (NAFO)
T	Tentative
TBD	To Be Determined
UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
UNCSD	United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development
UNEP	United Nations Environment Program
UNFSA	United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement (for straddling and high migratory stocks)
UNICPOLIS	United Nations Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and Law of the Sea
WCPFC	Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission
WDFG	Washington Department of Fish and Game
WECAFC	Western Central Atlantic Fishery Commission
WSSD	World Summit on Sustainable Development (United Nations)
WTO	World Trade Organization